

ABSTRACT

A capless writing instrument (1), wherein a writing
element (5) is arranged inside a barrel cylinder (2) so that
5 a pen point (6) of the writing element (5) can come out and
retract through a front end opening of the barrel cylinder
(2), is characterized in that an inner cap (20) formed of
rubber or elastic resin is provided at the front end opening
of the barrel cylinder (2), and the inner cap (20) is composed
10 of: a closing portion (21) disposed on the pen point projecting
side with respect to the axial direction of the barrel cylinder
for closing the front end opening and having a slit (25) for
allowing the pen point (6) to project and retract; and forward
projected portions (27) that are projected from the outer
15 periphery of the closing portion (21) toward the front end
opening, and the inner cap is fitted inside the barrel cylinder
so that, in the slit (25) closed state, force which is directed
approximately perpendicular to the slit surfaces will act
inward from the outer periphery of the forward projected
20 portions (27).